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**** DX INFORMATION ****

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4L - A team from Radio Club Beskidzki (SP9KAT) will be active as 4L9PL from Georgia on 21-28 April. They will operate CW, SSB and digital modes on 80-10 metres. QSL via SP9KAT, direct or bureau.

8Q - Elena, RC5A (8Q7CA) and Yuri, RM0F (8Q7FU) will be active from the Maldives (AS-013) on 17-30 April. They will operate CW and SSB on 160-10 metres. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau; QQRS on Club Log. [TNX DX World]

9Y - Bill, K2HVN will be active as 9Y4/K2HVN from Tobago (SA-009) on 19-26 April. He will operate CW and SSB on 40-10 metres. QSL via home call. [TNX OPDX Bulletin]

A9 - "Everything is good to go with all necessary clearances, permits and licenses now in hand" for the DXpedition to Hawar Island (AS-202, new one for IOTA), the team reported on 3 April. A91HI will now be QRV for one extra day, and start activity on 27 April around 18 UTC. Plans are to have up to five stations QRV on 40-10 metres CW, SSB and Digital. The QSL route has changed, and the team welcomes Charles, M0OXO as their QSL manager. Logsearch and QQRS for direct and bureau cards on Club Log. "Please consider making a small donation to help offset the team's expenses and remember, we are still offering a 'Free QSL' to those who donate a minimum of EUR 5.00" (<http://a91hi.com/support/>). Follow the team's progress on Twitter (https://twitter.com/A9_IOTA). [TNX DX World]

CE0Y - Henry, LU4DXU will be active as CE0Y/LU4DXU from Easter Island (SA-001) on 16-29 April. He will operate SSB on 80-6 metres. QSL via LU4DXU. [TNX DX World]

CX - Radiogrupo Sur will be active again as CV5A from Isla de Flores (SA-030) on 14-18 April (<http://cv5a.cx.uy>). QSL direct to Casilla de Correos 950, 11000 Montevideo, Uruguay. [TNX rsgbioa.org]

E5_sc - Mike, ZL1MRC will be active as E51MRC from Rarotonga (OC-013), South Cook Islands on 13-22 April. QSL via home call.

F - Special callsign TM91WARD will be used on 16-24 April to celebrate World Amateur Radio Day (18 April). QSL via bureau. [TNX F8REF]

G - Taking part in the commemoration of the 400th anniversary of the death of William Shakespeare, special event station GB2WS will be active from Stratford-upon-Avon on 23-24 April. QSL via M6AGT.

GM - Weather permitting, GM0GAV, GM0LVI, GM4ZNC and MM0GNS will be active as GS8VL/p from the Shiant Islands (EU-112) on 14-17 April. QSL via GM4FDM. [TNX DX World]

GM - M0KLO, G0SBN and GM3WOJ will be active as GS0NWM from the Isle of Barra (EU-010) on 24-30 April. They will operate CW, SSB and digital modes on 80-10 metres. They will also try and be active as GS0NWM/p from the adjoining island of Vatersay. QSL via M0URX

(please use the OQRS on www.m0urx.com) and logsearch on Club Log. [TNX NG3K]

HC - Vasily R7AA, Alex HC2AO and maybe others are going to be active from Puna Island (SA-034) "some time in the second part of April". Requested callsign is HD2RRC, but HC5ZY/2/p or HC2GRC/p may be used as well. QSL via R7AA. [TNX DX World]

HL - Nobuaki, JA0JHQ (<http://pandasan.jimdo.com/>) will be active as HL4ZHC from Cheju Island (AS-026) on 8-11 April. Main activity will be on 80, 40 and 15 metres CW during the Japan International DX Contest; outside the contest he will focus on 30 and 17m CW. QSL via JA0JHQ, bureau (preferred) or direct, and LoTW.

HR - Gerard, F2JD will be active again as HR5/F2JD from Copan, Honduras from 16 April to 13 July. He will operate CW, SSB and RTTY on the HF bands. QSL via F6AJA, direct or bureau; logsearch on <http://LesNouvellesDX.fr/voirlogs.php>. [TNX Les Nouvelles DX]

I - I2RFJ, IK2DUW, IK3HAR, IV3BSY, IW3HXR, IZ2ESV and IZ3NXC will be active as IBOX from the island of Ponza (EU-045) on 20-24 April. They will operate CW, SSB and digital modes on 80-6 metres. QSL via IZ2ESV, direct or bureau, and LoTW; logsearch and OQRS on Club Log. [TNX IZ2ESV]

I - ARI Verona DX Team will be active as IA5J from Isola del Giglio (EU-028) on 21-25 April (www.ari.verona.it/veronadxteam/). Seven operators (I3LDP, I3VJW, IK3JBP, IK3SCB, IU3BXI, IW3ICK and IZ3JKI) will operate SSB, CW and digital modes on 80-10 metres with two stations, while a third station will be used for 6m (including Meteor Scatter and EME activity). QSL via IU3BXI; logsearch and OQRS on Club Log. [TNX I3VJW]

I - IY0GA (from Sardinia), IY0IMD, IY0ORP, IY1MR, IY1SP, IY4FGM, IY5PIS, IY6GM and IY7M will participate in the International Marconi Day on 23 April. QSL via operators's instructions. [TNX IS0JMA]

I - In remembrance of the devastating earthquake that hit Friuli forty years ago, special callsign II3TF (Terremoto del Friuli) will be active on 1-22 May and again on 10-18 September. QSL via IV3IUM. Complete information, including details on the award, can be found at www.ari-crfvg.it/orcolat.asp. [TNX IV3IUM]

JA - Kenji, JA4GXS will be active as JA4GXS/5 from Naka Island (AS-200) on 17-18 April. He will operate CW and SSB on 40-15 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

JD1_oga - Once again Harry, JG7PSJ will be active as JD1BMH from Chichijima (AS-031), Ogasawara from 27 April to 6 May. He will operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 40-10 metres. QSL via JD1BMH (bureau) or JG7PSJ (direct). He does not use LoTW. Logsearch and other information can be found at <http://sapphire.es.tohoku.ac.jp/jd1bmh/>.

OE - The Amateur Radio Section of ORF (the Austrian Broadcasting Corporation) and the Documentary Archive Radio Communications/QSL Collection will operate special event station OE16M on 22-24 April. This is an official International Marconi Day station and contacts made on 23 April will count for the IMD Award. QSL via OE1WHC (bureau) or direct to DokuFunk, OE16M, An den Steinfeldern 4A, 1230 Wien, Austria. [TNX OE1WHC]

OZ - DK2YA, DK5OPA, DL7DSW and DO7LJ will be active as OZ0BO (www.oz0bo.eu) from Bornholm Island (EU-030) on 8-13 May. They

will operate SSB, PSK63 and RTTY on 80-10 metres. QSL via DL7DSW (bureau preferred) and LoTW; logsearch on Club Log.

TK - IK2AHB, IW2MZX, IW2NAP, IW5ELA, IZ2AJE and IZ2GMT will be active as TK9C from Corsica (EU-014) on 22-25 April. They will operate SSB, CW, RTTY and PSK31 on the HF bands and 6 metres with three stations. QSL via IK2AHB (direct or bureau) and LoTW; logsearch and OQRS on Club Log.

VK - Pavel, VK6NAX and Sergey, VK6FSAG will soon be active from Boullanger Island and/or Favorite Island (both count for IOTA group OC-183). Their current schedule is for activity to start around 10.00 UTC on 15 April and finish around 00.00 UTC on the 18th. Alternative dates are 29 April- 2 May; the final choice will depend on weather and propagation forecast. Look for VK6NAX/p to operate mainly CW (7020, 14040 and 21040 kHz). Updates, further information and QSLLing instructions on www.qrz.com/db/VK6NAX/P. [TNX DX World]

VK9N - Doug, VK4ADC will be active holiday style as VK9NU from Norfolk Island (OC-005) from 23 April to 2 May. He will operate SSB only on 80-6 metres. QSL via home call (direct or bureau), eQSL and LoTW. Further information and logsearch on www.vk9nu.net.

W - Members of the Palos Verdes ARC will operate as K6PV/6 from Santa Catalina Island (NA-066) on from 28 April to 1 May. They plan to operate SSB, CW, RTTY and PSK31 on 80-10 metres. QSL via K6PV. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

XW - Bruce, 3W3B will be back to Laos on 12 April and be active as XW4XR for a couple of weeks. He will operate CW and RTTY on 40-10 metres, hopefully also on 80m. QSL via E21EIC and LoTW. [TNX The Daily DX]

YB - YB9GV, YB9IPY, YB9KA, YC9HF and YC9JAJ will be active as YB9K from Satonda Island (OC-150) on 12-16 April. They will be QRV on 20, 15 and 10 metres. QSL via DL3KZA. [TNX DX News]

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ET7L --> The team's stay has been extended and ET7L is now expected to remain active until 1 May. Since 17 January they have made 34,000+ QSOs and counting. Those who still need Ethiopia as an All Time New One (ATNO), can email et7l.club@gmail.com for a sked: "we will try to be right for you at the right time in the right place". See <http://et7l.dxer.com.ua/> for further updates. Logsearch on Club Log, OQRS to be enabled later. Traditional cards via US0LW; the logs will be uploaded to LoTW after the end of the operation.

FT4JA --> The team on Juan de Nova will leave the island on 11 April. Their dismantlement plan will have to "match with the necessary high tide. Depending on the high wind these days this might make things difficult for loading/unloading things with the zodiac". During the weekend they will concentrate on the more productive bands/modes, in order "to give all a

last opportunity for an All Time New One".

FT4JA started activity on 30 March, and at 18:26 UTC on 7 April Club Log had 83,495 QSOs (CW 38,596, SSB 38,352 and RTTY 6,547) with 21,421 unique callsigns (25,7%). The most productive band so far has been 15m (20,933 QSOs), followed by 12m (12,773 QSOs) and 17m (12,367 QSOs).

INTERNATIONAL MARCONI DAY ---> Organized by the Cornish Radio Amateur Club, the International Marconi Day (IMD) is a 24-hour amateur radio event held annually to celebrate the birth of Guglielmo Marconi (25 April 1874). It is not a contest, but an opportunity for amateurs around the world to make contacts with historic Marconi sites using HF communications techniques. This year's event will be held on 23 April, from 00.00 UTC through 23.59 UTC. Details, including information on the relevant Award Certificates and the listing of participating stations, can be found at <http://qx4crc.com/>.

QSL 3XY5M ---> Cards are being handled by Michael, PA5M himself. Those who requested their cards through Club Log's OQRS or direct by mail and have not received their QSLs are invited to email Michael (pa5m@chello.nl). [TNX DX World]

QSL 9J2BO ---> "Due to the difficulty at present of contacting 9J2BO", Mike G3TEV reports, "I will only accept cards direct and will not accept bureau cards until further notice". As UK postal rates have increased [425DXN 1296], the basic rate of GBP 1.05 for standard airmail letters is "enough for about 5 cards to Europe or a maximum of 2 cards for the rest of the world". QSL to M.J. Mills, 3 Tylers Way, Chalford Hill, Stroud, GL6 8ND, United Kingdom. [TNX G3TEV]

VK0EK ---> "We are approaching our last weekend on Heard Island", the Radio Team Leader reported on 7 April. "One of our objectives is to give an All-Time New One (ATNO) to as many DXers as possible (we all like band-fills but they don't give the same thrill as a first contact with an entity). To support this goal, we will be taking the following measures:

- We will identify some of our operating positions as 'ATNO Stations' that will be specifically asking for ATNO contacts or new mode contacts during the upcoming weekend (Heard Island time). Please only call these stations if a QSO with Heard Island gives you an All-Time New One or a new mode. Watch the message box in DXA (<http://dxa.vk0ek.org/>) for instructions and information. We will post information regularly on bands/modes where the ATNO stations are operating.
- Weather-permitting, we will extend our stay, with the final day of radio operation being 11 April and departure on the 12th".

VK0EK started activity on 23 March, and at 12:34 UTC on 8 April Club Log had 69,353 QSOs (SSB 14,912, CW 51,403 and RTTY 3,035) with 19,706 unique callsigns (28,4%). The most productive band so far has been 15m (12,406 QSOs), followed by 40m (10,818 QSOs) and 30m (10,126 QSOs).

QSLs received direct or through managers: 3D2AG/p (OC-060), 3XY1T (AF-051), 5A1AL, 5H3JA, 8J1RL, 9J2BO, A73A, A93JA, B7/BD7IHN (AS-129), BG9XD, CE0Y/W7YAQ, ER4A, FR/DJ7RJ, IQ7IA/p (EU-091), JT1BV, OJ0S, PJ2/NF9V, RP2F, RW2F, S01WS, S79CO, T6SM, TK/S53CC, TK/S57C, TK0C, TM1BIG (EU-107), TX7G,

TZ4AM, UA2F, VP5/JH1BXH, W4O (NA-067), YB8RW/p (OC-246), ZL9A (OC-286),
ZY2QG (SA-071).

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